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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte JOHN W. SIMS and REX A. TOWNSEND

Application No. 09/807,070

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) on January 28, 2008. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below.

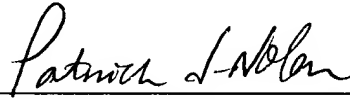
On July 26, 2006, the Examiner mailed a Final Rejection. On page 1 of the rejection number 6) indicates that claims 1-26 are rejected. While, the Examiner did mention in his Final Rejection and in the Examiner's Answer claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, and 20-23. However, it is unclear as to what grounds claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, and 20-23 are rejected under. Clarification is required.

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Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

1. to vacate the Examiner's Answer mailed June 19, 2007, and issue a revised Examiner's Answer to include all claims and the grounds in which they are rejected under; and
2. for such further action as may be appropriate.

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